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**Notice to All DSFS Students and Training Officers**

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We are pleased to announce the resumption of classes at the Delaware State Fire School. We will be posting our updated fall schedule in the coming weeks. Scheduled classes will resume at the Divisions on August 29, 2020, and in-service training at stations will resume beginning July 6, 2020. In order to comply with guidelines for educational facilities surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, there have been significant changes to our schedule and practices. Some classes originally scheduled may be cancelled.

- Students and visitors must use the student entrance Dover or the front entrances at the New Castle or Sussex Division ONLY.
- Class sizes will be limited and NO WALK-INS will be allowed.
- Students will be advised of what time they shall arrive at the Fire School for their class.
- Due to the possibility of having someone sent home, it is recommended that students from the same station attending different classes consider taking separate transportation, as those exposed in the same vehicle will also be sent home.
- Any person entering the building or grounds will be subject to a health check, including a temperature check. This includes instructors, officers, and apparatus drivers.
- Social distancing and face masks will be required on the property.
- Students may remove face masks at their seat and as directed by their instructor for any skills.
- Meals will be provided on weekends in Dover as “boxed lunches” and will be eaten in the classroom.
- The cafeteria seating areas and vending machines are closed. Students are encouraged to bring snacks and drinks.
- Students will need to adhere to the same guidelines followed at a Fire School facility during any station in-service programs. If at any time, the instructor feels guidelines are not being followed or they feel unsafe, they may cancel the course.
- In-service courses at the Divisions must adhere to the same guidelines.

We are continuing to iron out all the details surrounding these practices, as we receive updates on operations for education this fall. We appreciate your understanding in our attempt to help keep this disease under control using the recommended guidelines of the State leadership.